

**REMARKS**


Entry of this Amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

By the present Amendment, claim 3 has been deleted and claims 4 and 5 have been re-written into independent form to incorporate the subject matter of claim 3. It is noted that the cancellation of claim 3 has been done without prejudice to the applicants right to submit this claim, or similar claims, at a later time or in a continuation application. It is also noted that this amendment corresponds to the amendment in accordance with Article 11 submitted in the PCT application.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of, either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 1374.45249X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,  
**ANTONELLI, TERRY, STOUT & KRAUS, LLP**

By   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gregory E. Montone  
Reg. No. 28,141

GEM/dks

N:\1374\45249X00\PRA\IC35379.DOC

1300 North Seventeenth Street, Suite 1800  
Arlington, Virginia 22209  
Telephone: (703) 312-6600  
Facsimile: (703) 312-6666